

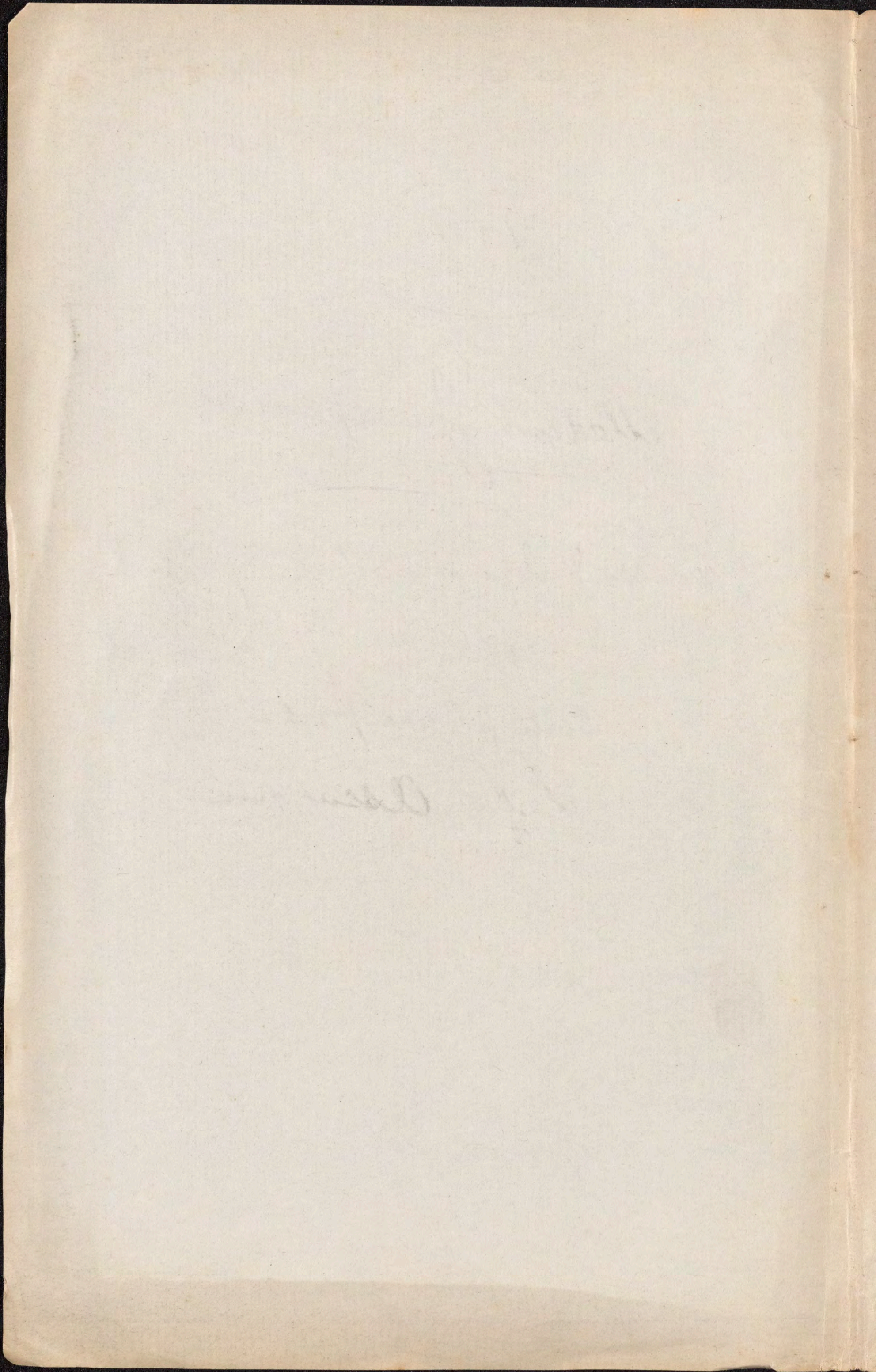
1871

Medical Jurisprudence

Wounds & Injuries - Detection of Blood

Suits for Malpractice

Life Assurance -



we next take up the general subject of

Wounds & Injuries Mechanically produced.

Wounds involve soln. of continuity.

Best therefore to separate, as other injuries,

Contusions, concussions

Simple fractures, dislocations, sprains

Wounds are then

Incisions, punctures, lacerations, comp'd fractures,
Gunshot injuries.

we leave to Surgey the account of
the peculiarities & history of these.

→ Certain questions concerning them belong
to med. jurisprudence. 16

~~Questions under legal process may be several.~~

1. Can the appearance of a bruise be produced
after death?

If much swelling, any change of color,
or sign of inflammation, the contusion
must have been produced during life.

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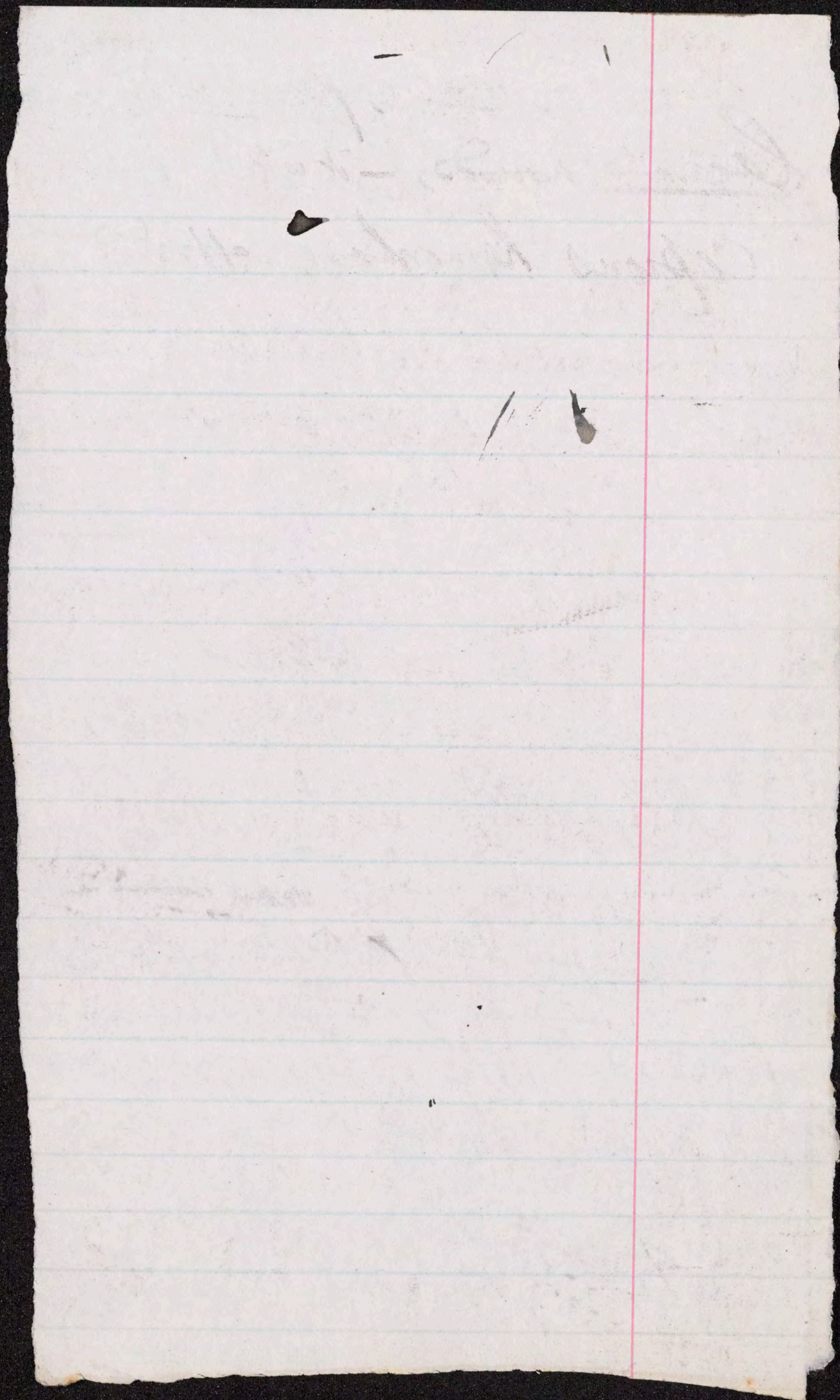
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If on cutting into the part, effusion
of blood is found considerable, probably
is strong of its having been inflicted during
life; especially if the true skin is
discolored through its texture by the
blood. Bruises made a few minutes
after death may cause like appear-
ances.

Deep effusions ^{of blood} under muscles &
in interior parts, may be produced by
considerable violence, even several hours after
death, through rupture of large vessels.

After putrefaction, the dif-
-ference of disting. bruise marks of
the living body from those which might
be fresh marks, is much greater.
Fractures just after death, & those
not long before death will have the same
appearances.

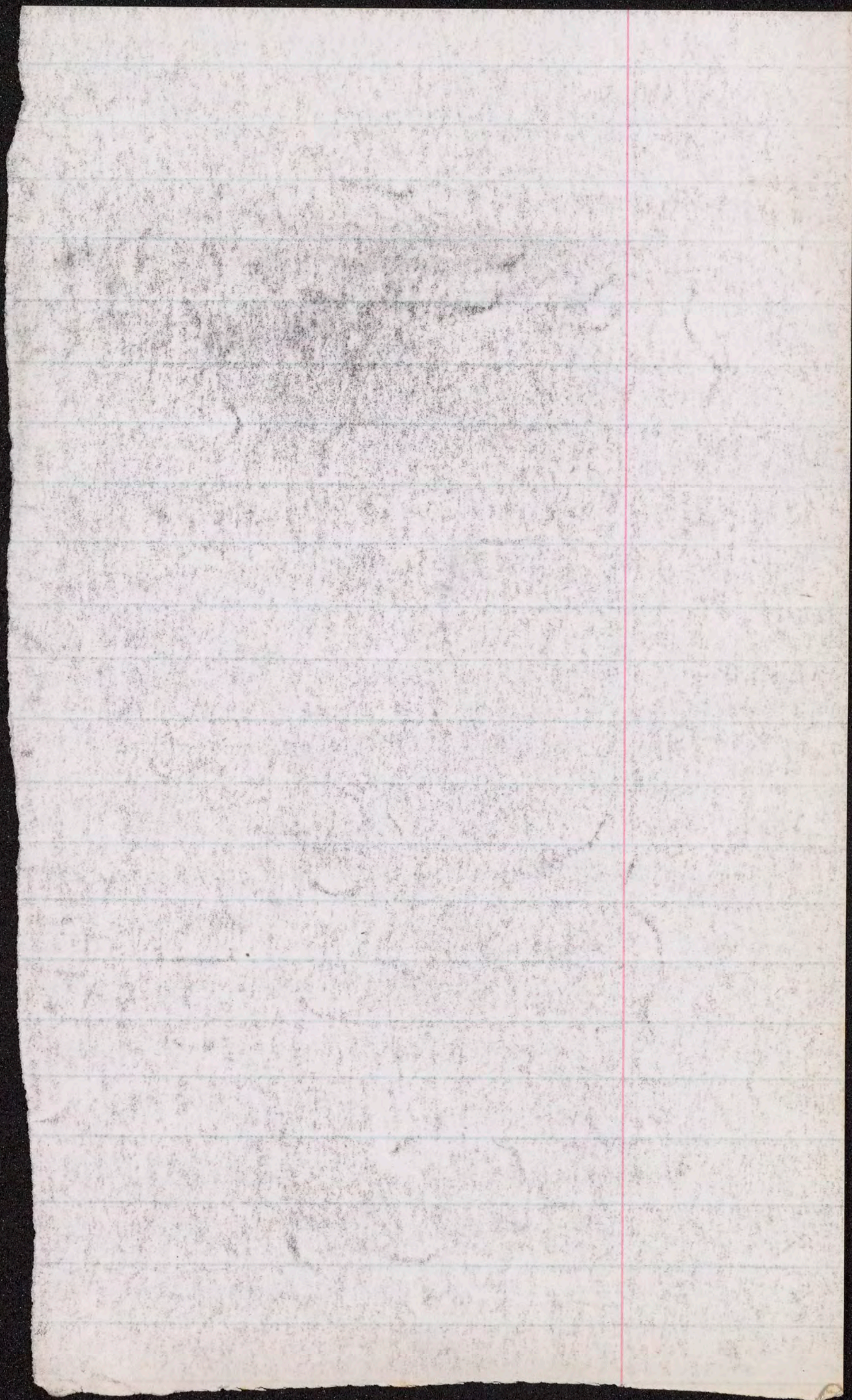


Concerning incised, punctured & ⁽³⁾
lacerated wounds, — it is to be said that

Copious hemorrhage affords
strong presumption of the wound having
occurred before death; particularly when
seen in a fresh body.

Lacerated & gunshot wounds may,
however, bleed very little.

Experiments of Orfila & Taylor
have shown, that, incisions made
immediately after death may resemble
in appearance, those produced shortly
before death. But incised wounds
made long before death show
changes resulting from inflammation.
Lacerated wounds are yet more
difficult to distinguish before & after
death.



Gunshot wounds are apt to be the most complicated kind. They may ~~State Guyot's account of~~ produce ~~assigned in History~~ almost all other kinds, with contusion, laceration, fracture and hemorrhage. Immediate hemorrhage is, it is true, not apt to be considerable, unless large vessels are injured.

When a fire-arm is discharged close to the person, the skin is burnt by the flame, and may have in it particles of unconsumed powder. The clothes may also be scorched.

When a bullet lodges in the body, and is found ~~after~~ after death, or extracted during life, it may furnish significant evidence.

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The bullet may fit a mould (14)
owned by the person who fired it.
Or the wadding may be a frag-
ment of paper or other material,
the remainder of which may be
found in his possession.

Keep such contents of wounds then.
Examine, also, the aperture or apertures
made; the round clean smaller
hole made by an entering ball, and
the larger, irregular jagged opening
of its exit. The clothes may also
show the same, — as well as the

Direction of the ball's approach,
sometimes of great consequence.
A bone of course may much di-
vert the course of a bullet after
its entrance into the body.

generacy which is
children of such mar-
fness, blindness, &c
results, while a ~~man~~
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ns a really healthy man-
is rare. From
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lead, which is very poisonous,
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is applicable to making
count of breathing the sulphur,
minute particles of steel
to the throat & lungs &
on. Sewer-Cleaning is
pure air & gases, as S.H.,
the lungs; persons become
bad air & want of sunlight
ing in mines.

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Wadding alone, without (15
ball, may kill, if fired very
close to the body; though this must
be rare.

While some gunshot wounds
are fatal at once or very soon,
from injury of vital parts, very
many may prove so after variable
interval, in ways which ~~these~~
special surgery ~~must~~ consider
and describe.

The questions common to
all wounds & mechanical
injuries involving death or danger of
death are these:

16 med. juniper.
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9 - med. ether -

When death has occurred, & a wound is shown,

1. Was the injury inflicted during life?

2. Was it the cause of death?

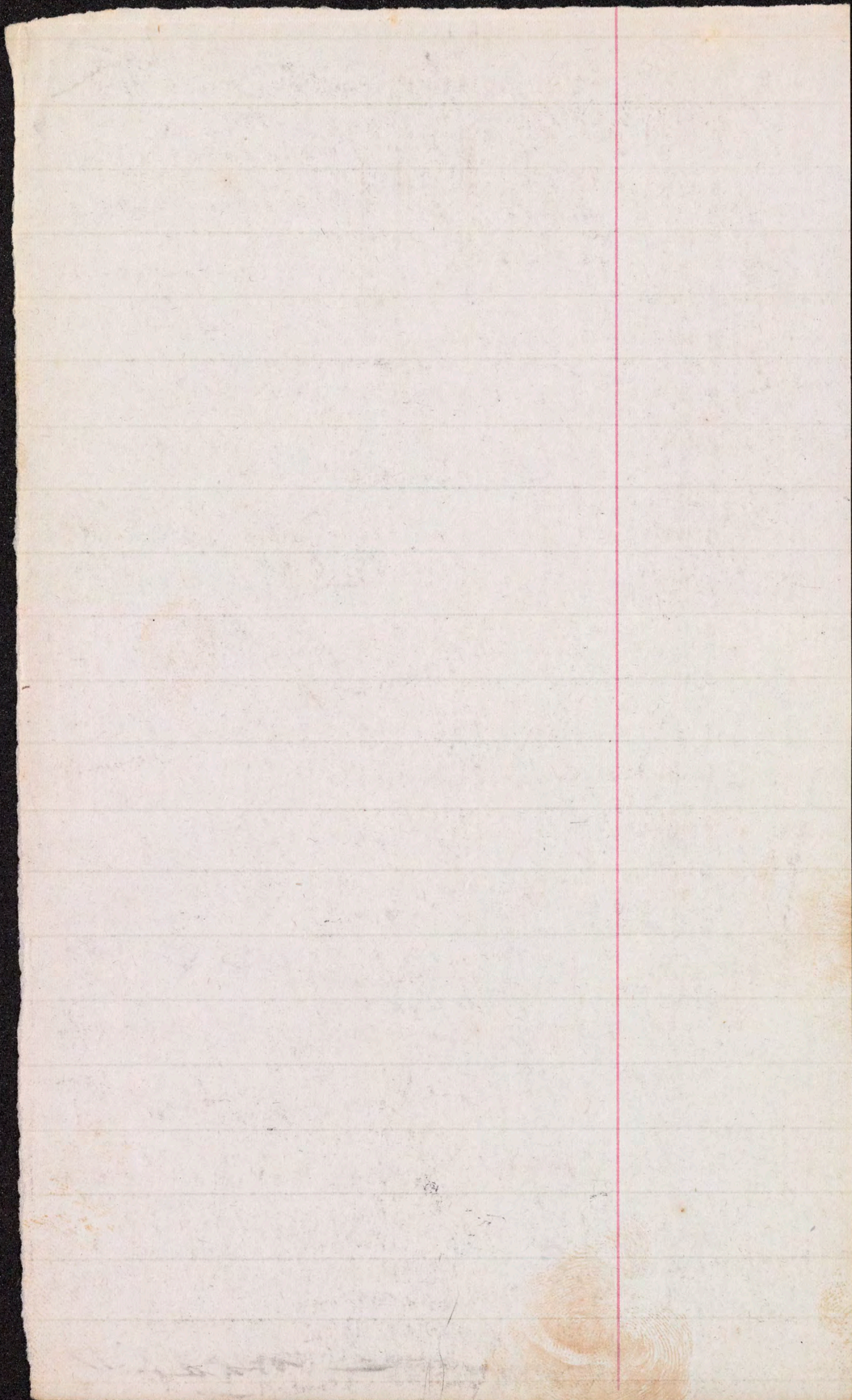
3. Was it accidental, suicidal, or homicidal?

4. If the latter, by whose act?

Something has been said already upon the first question

On the 2nd, was the injury the cause of death — no great difficulty usually presents, when a healthy person is struck down and dies at the time or soon after. But complicated cases do occur.

~~1871 Nov 12~~



For instance, a boy robbing an (17)
orchard was struck a moderate
blow on the head, which caused
death because his skull was
extraordinarily thin. A person
with inguinal hernia may be
killed by a kick which
would only bruise another. An
aneurism existing anywhere, may
quadruple the danger of an
ordinary blow or wound. And
there are many similar examples.
Lord Hale long ago laid
down the principle, that "it is
sufficient to prove that the death of
the party was accelerated by the
malicious act of the prisoner,

ies brings on Scrofula
loss of codine in
shine ~~so~~ by its ac-
emical action gives
as well as plants.

Students

^{even} although the former laboured (18
under a mortal disease at
the time." However open to
Doubt it may be how far
this Principle would settle
everything in regard to the res-
ponsibility in some of the cases
just referred to — it is
at least clear that the
Duty of a professional
witness is, so far as pos-
sible to ascertain and testi-
fy — first, whether the wound
or injury proved would suffice
alone to cause death; — and

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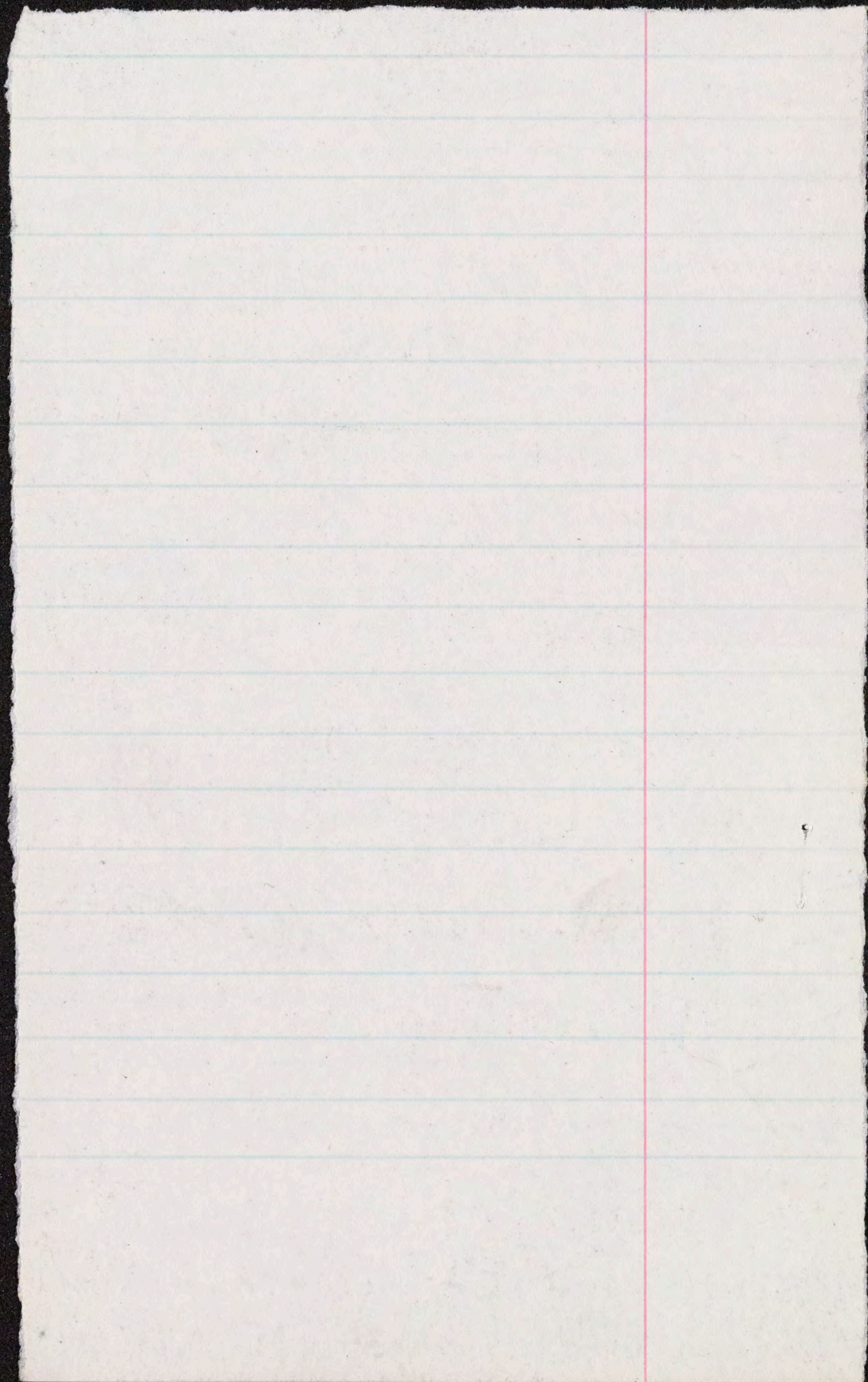
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Secondly, whether, in the (19)
particular circumstance
of the case in hand,
it did or did not
accelerate ^{death} or make certain
its occurrence which before
was doubtful.

Where a considerable
time elapses after the
injury before death
takes place, the dif-
ficulty may be increased much.
E.g. - Stokes - Fisk case, (malpractice charged)
& Landis - Carnith case (ditto, over-probing).



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[In parenthesis, I must ~~ask~~
be allowed to relieve my mind
by expressing the not medical
but general common sense con-
-viction, strongly entertained, that
our laws suffer under a most
inequitable defect, in that they
make so much to depend on the
actual death of the victim of
a homicidal assault. It is in-
deed preposterous that, as in a
case of a U. S. Revenue Inspec-
tor not long since, men
convicted of planning an approach
to an unarmed man in a store,

most civilized Country
important part in Hb.

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The general line of mi-
tion has been from E.
was the 1st to cross the
late America

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Asia is the cradle of a
first passes his infan-
school where he is tra-
America is where he
and activeness.

placing a pistol to his (2)
back, & discharging the bullet
into his body, — should
be dealt with and punished
for anything less than murder;
because somehow or other
the victim recovered instead of
dying as they expected him
to do. But this, of course, is
out of our immediate track.
The Law ^{at present} does make this
difference ^{in the} & leads often
to great complications in purged
testimony in homicidal cases.

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Questions occur, ^{on the general subject of} ~~the~~ ^{fatal} wound, -
these:

As to the place where the body
was found,

the Nature of the wound

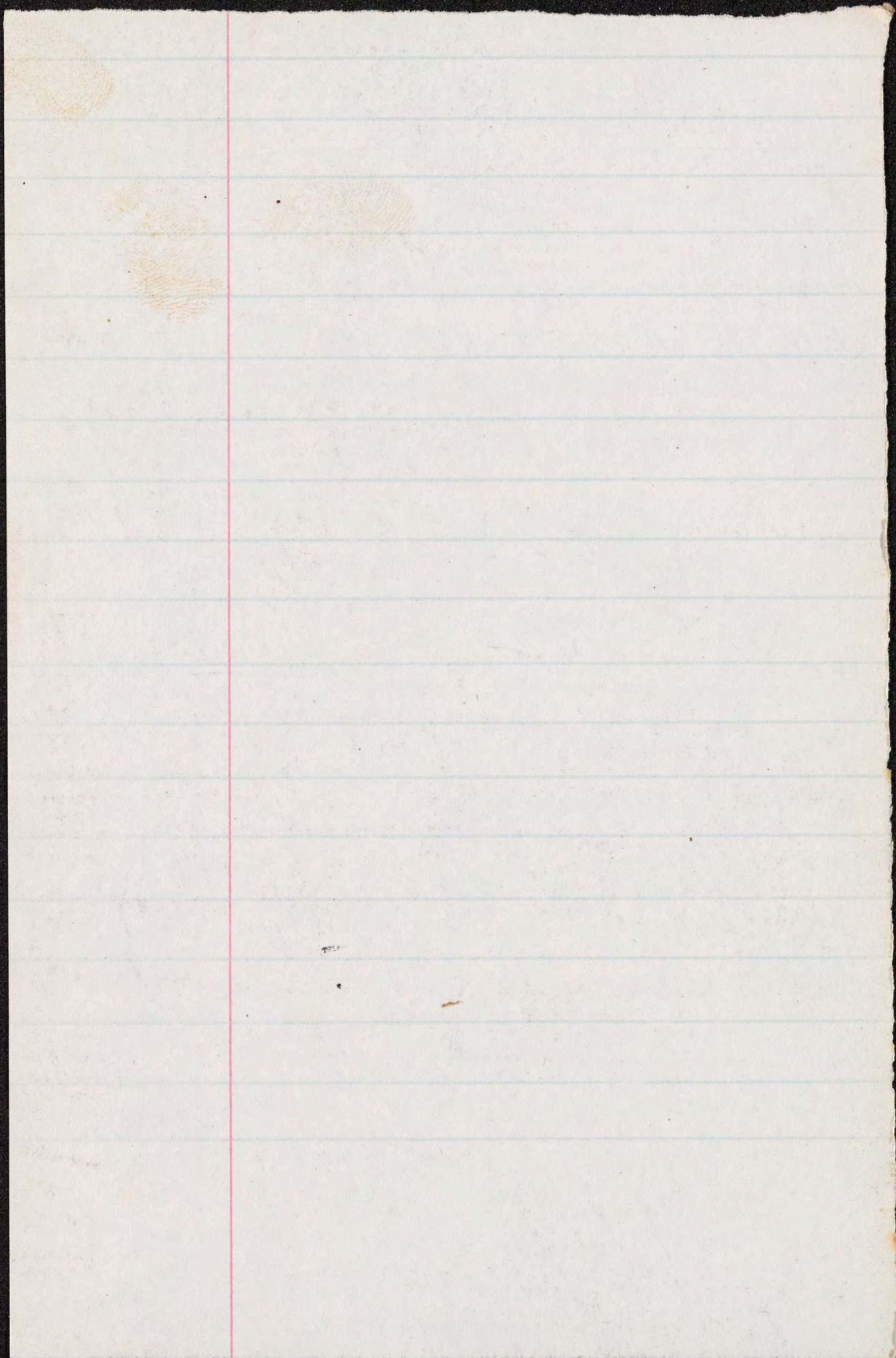
Situation of it; could it
individual have inflicted it on
himself?

Extent of the wound -

(Throat - suicidal sometimes very extensive)
Expanse, - about cutting vertebral artery or arteries.

Its direction -

Number of wounds - alike
Or Different - How were they probably or certainly
made?



various circumstantial (23)

evidence may prove ^{to be} of ^{the} utmost,

perhaps decisive importance

Thus, a woman was ^{once} found dead &
buried with her throat cut.

On her left hand was found

~~the~~ a ^{distinct} mark of the left

hand of another; proving that

it could not be suicide.

Is the wound, shown to exist,
dangerous to life?

^{again?} Of many wounds, which was
mortal? Different persons may
have given the different wounds.

How long did the injured person
survive?

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history.

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Europe, the European
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ained in his youth,
passes his life in work

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Pandarus

When was the wound inflicted?

~~things which~~ E

Consideration of these ques-
tions the manner of their
investig. as they affect the
different parts of the body,
would take long — I must
refer you now to ^{your} future ^{opportunities for the} study
upon them. Our time is ~~very~~
short, — and in the same introductory
way other topics are yet to be
glanced at. I must ~~take time~~
refer for a short space only to
one matter, — the detection of marks of human blood.

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& lazy, and in
moral nature decreased
a slave to his passions
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being forced to work
istence, and ^{receiving} ~~having~~
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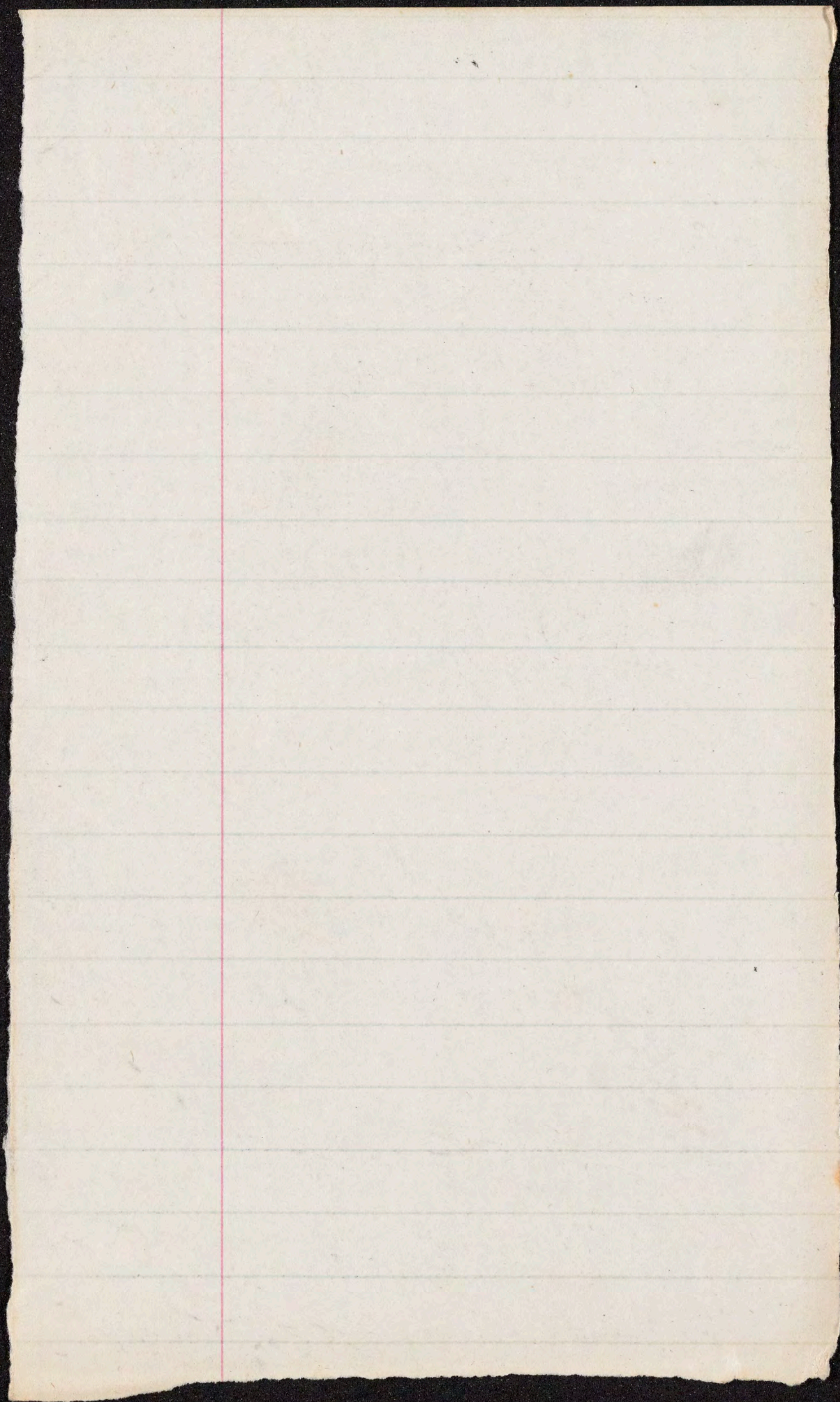
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Detection of blood.

On clothing, on knives, ⁽²⁵⁾ or
hands, on floors or furniture,
and sometimes in water or other liquids,
we may be called upon to say
whether spots, red or brown, old
or ^{or reddish hues or stains} fresh, are or are not of
human blood.

When recently shed, in con-
siderable amount, its appearance and
qualities are characteristic. In
very small portions, or long dried and
exposed, it is not easy to distinguish
with certainty.

Examina, may be made of the
Fibrin, — Serum, — Coloring matter,
Red corpuscles — crystals formed in blood,
and Sublimates obtained from it by heat.



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Fibrin, under the microscope has a peculiar look. Its irregular groupings, variable thickness, clubbed loops, and complete absence of texture of any kind, although fibrillary, form a highly characteristic combination of appearances. (Evy).

Serum of blood is known by its albumen; ^{coagulates at about 140° Fahr. to 160°} at the heat of boiling oil, 350° , Mag. alb. becomes soluble in water. Water discolored by a stain supposed to be blood may be heated by ^{means of} boiling oil for an hour, in a strongly sealed tube. ^(Bloxam) Then it may be tested with NO_5 , HgCl_2 , & K_2FeCl_6 . each of which should give a white precipitate.

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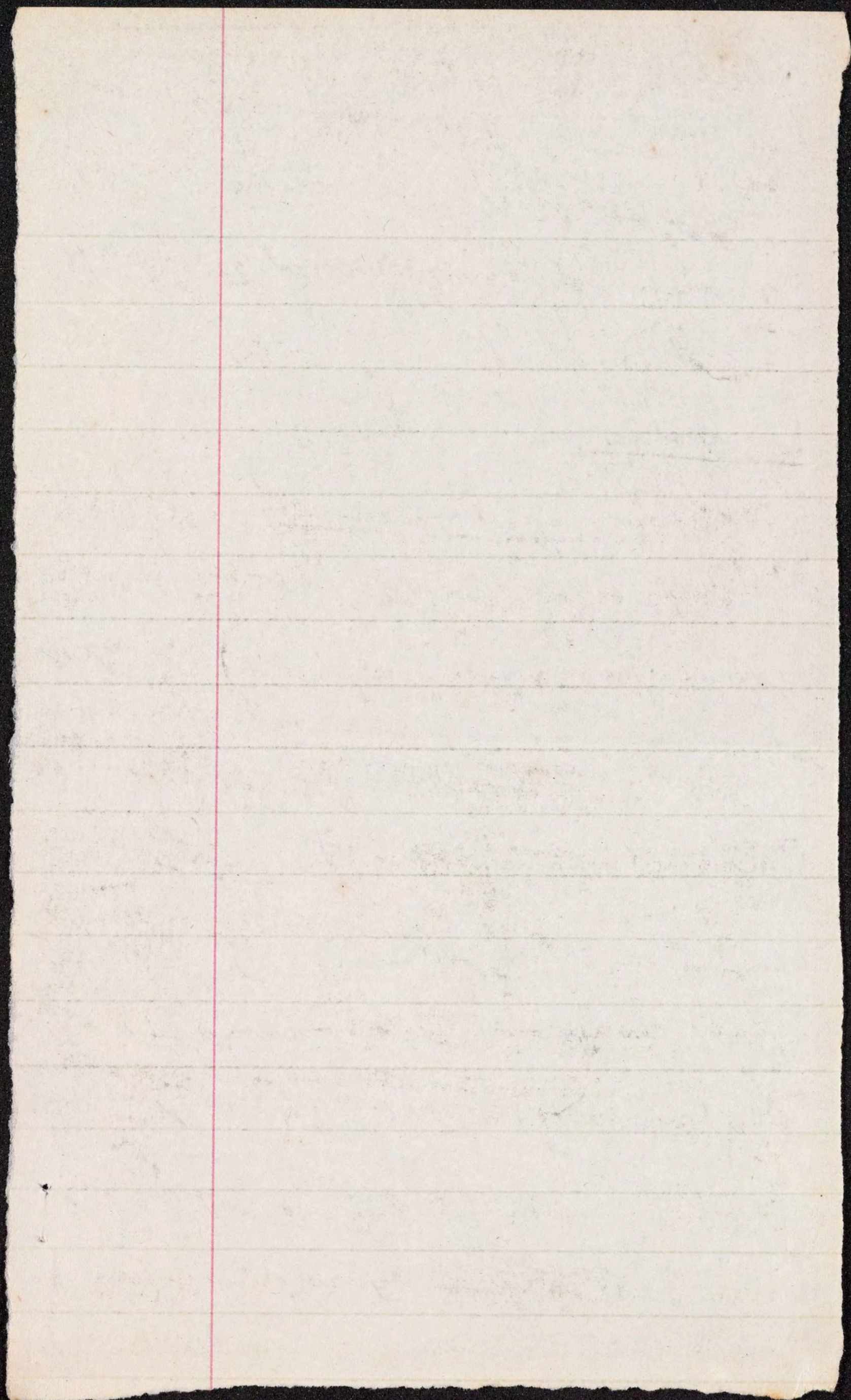
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It is almost impossible that ⁽²⁷⁾

Any printed fabric can have at the
^{without being blood-stained, but from other sources,}
same time, albumen in it on it, and
^{also} the ~~same~~ color of blood. The
detection of albumen in a spot ~~with~~
with such a color — the hue being
most evident in water stained by
it, — is therefore very nearly con-
clusive that it is blood.

The coloring matter of recent
blood-stains makes with cold water
a vermilion-red solution. Boiling
this makes it of a dirty slate color,
& coagulates the albumen of the
serum present. If then, the coagulum
be dried, and boiled in solution of
potassa, it forms a solution which



is dark green by reflected, (28)
and red by transmitted light.

Liquor ammonia does not change
its color. Infusion or tinct.

Galls gives with it a red pre-
cipitate. No other red solution

has these characteristics. Flower

and leaf or root-colored infusions
become green or violet with liq. am-
monia; the same test makes

cochineal crimson. Sulphocyanide

of iron makes a red sol. which gives
a white precip. with liq. ammonia.

Pernang. potass. sol. is pink-red,
but becomes blue with ammonia. And
none of these are coag. by heat.

William

(forever at Haverford.)

Red col. matter containing (29
salts of iron become blue with
infus. or tinct. of galls.

There are ~~many~~ other delicate
tests for blood.

Schönbein's, improved by Day
and Taylor, is, the use together of
tinct. guaiacum & ethereal sol.
of perox. of hydrogen, — commonly
called OXONISED ether. Dr. Til-
bury Fox (Tanner's Clin. Med.) says it is not
oxonised, but autoxonised ether.
^{that is a} ~~matter of theory.~~

~~It is a~~ ^{of} ~~very~~ ^{matter of theory.} ~~It makes~~ ^{It makes} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~liquid~~ ^{liquid} ~~become~~ ^{become} ~~a~~ ^a ~~rich~~ ^{rich} ~~sapphire~~ ^{sapphire} ~~blue~~ ^{blue} ~~with~~ ^{with} ~~a~~ ^a ~~blood~~ ^{blood} ~~sol.~~ ^{sol.} ~~ution.~~ ^{ution.} ~~It~~ ^{It} ~~does~~ ^{does} ~~better~~ ^{better} ~~with~~ ^{with} ~~a~~ ^a ~~weak~~ ^{weak} ~~solution~~ ^{solution} ~~than~~ ^{than} ~~with~~ ^{with} ~~a~~ ^a ~~strong~~ ^{strong} ~~one.~~ ^{one.}

Examination of

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Compare the general surface
in the Eastern & Western

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What is the highest mountain
How high is it? What
depth of the Oceans?

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Compare the Oceanic &
together, as to their
& animal life, and
each.

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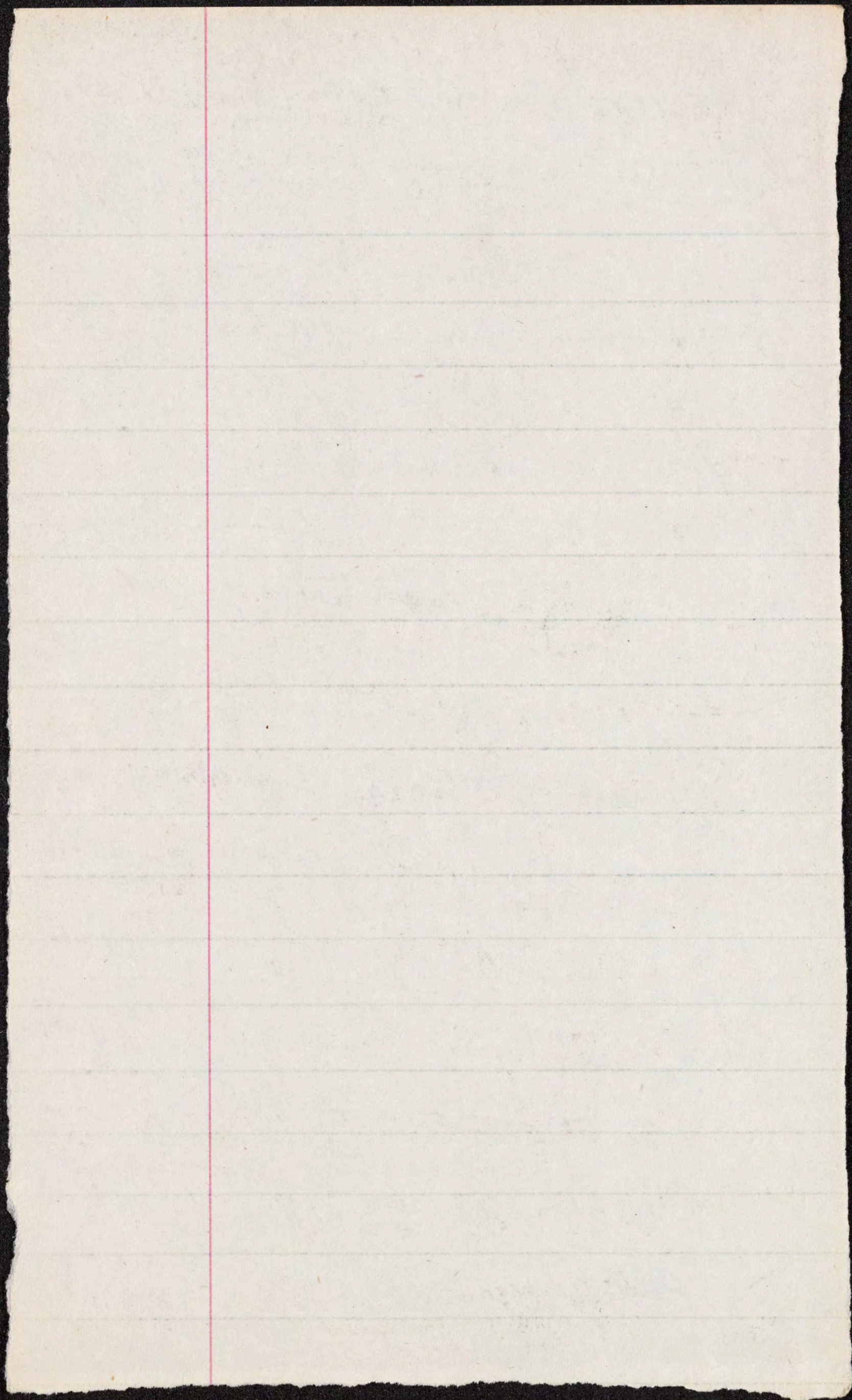
What is the influence
and of deserts, respectively
of rain.

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State the annual area

Black currant-juice stains a good deal like blood; but it is not acted upon in the way just mentioned by the ethereal ~~guaiacum~~ test. Ink stains become blue with guaiacum; so do rust stains from action of vinegar or lemon juice on iron; but they do this without the prepared ether; and blood will not.

All these means, then, will show whether a spot or stain, or colored liquid, contains blood or not; but they will not show what blood; human or animal. The microscope confirms the decision that it is blood, by showing



featuring the disk-like blood (3)
corpuscles; and it also does more,
A moderate magnifying power
will be enough to detect the
corpuscles. In all mammalian
animals, i.e. for inst. the domestic
quadrupeds, dog, horse, ox,
sheep, &c, — they are, as in
man, circular disks; except
the camel, in which they are
elliptical. In fishes, reptiles
and birds, they are oval.
This is important.

Between the blood corpuscles
of man and the common domestic
animals, there is no determinable

Europe to gradually
as the seat of Human

The part of Europe
man in his highest
her crowded shores
quartered whither to
to outpour into prop
rate America her
races and the part
receives that popula
of man to his high
Sphere.

Apollo.

Difference except in size, (32)

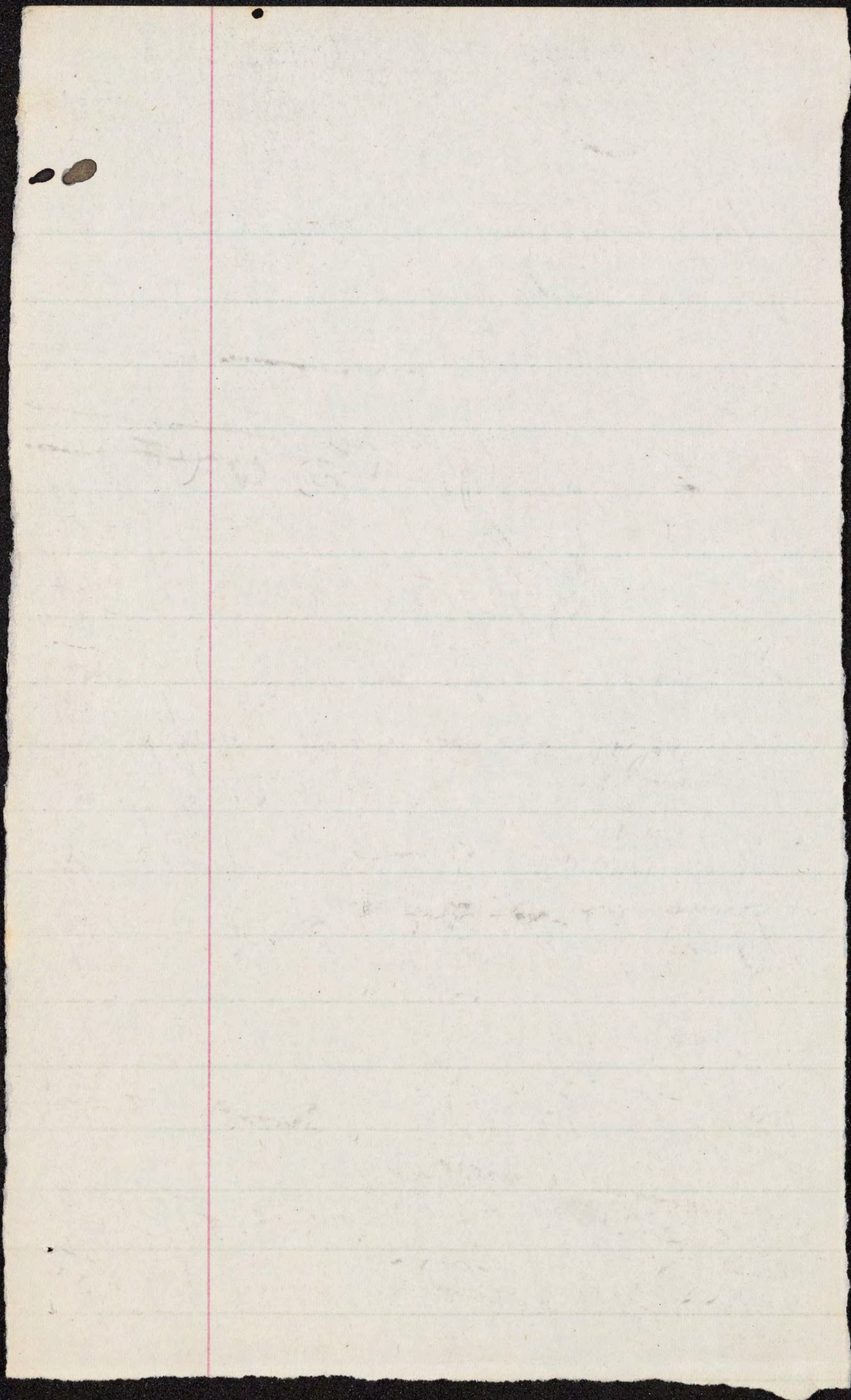
In man they average $\frac{1}{3200}$ of an inch; sometimes $\frac{1}{2000}$, occasionally $\frac{1}{4000}$, as extremes. In the animals, from $\frac{1}{3540}$ to less than $\frac{1}{6300}$, ~~with~~ averages. — no doubt with further extremes. Moreover, the liquid medium may make them expand or contract. Dr Eury therefore concludes that "It is not to be expected that the most skilful and practised person should be able to distinguish human blood from that of other animals." Dr Taylor says that "evidence based upon such varying averages must be treated as speculative and unsafe." Wharton & Stille tell us that the corpuscles are so

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of nature. ~~There~~
^{the} development

country where he
gth ~~for~~ he is now
at maturity
for himself &

Satyr.

nearly alike, that "practically" ⁽³³⁾
no distinction can be made." In
1860, however, we find that in
a capital case in this city,
Prof. Leidy of the University
testified from microsc. exam.
of a specimen of blood asserted to
be that of a chicken, that this
was false, and that it was
human blood. And, within a
~~few months~~ ⁽¹⁸⁶⁹⁾ ~~few years~~ ^{few years},
~~Dr. Joseph S. Richardson~~
son, an able and industrious med-
icinal of this city, armed with
a powerful microscope, has pub-
lished the assertion that, with
very high powers, magnifies for
example 1200 or 2500 diameters,



Dr. J. E. Richardson affirms certainty
of distinction of size, measurable with
microsc. magnif 1200 diam., between
human red corpuscles. Those of pig, cat,
horse, ox, sheep, goat and (red) deer.
~~Taylor~~, Casper, Virchow & other European
experts have concluded not insisting on certainty
of diagnosis of human red corpuscles ^{from those of other mammals} Dr. Wood-
ward (Hays' Journal, Jan. 75) points out that
dog's red corpuscles are not distinguishable. Bullen's
asserts same of those of apes & monkeys; as well
as of rabbit, Guinea pig, seal, otter, porpoise &
Kangaroo (also, capy-
bara & armadillo).

In Rubinstein murder
case, 1876, Prof. Eaton testified
opinion that certain marks were
of human blood

the differences which with (34)
low powers seem so insignificant
may be made ^{to the eye} as great ^{the difference} as be-
tween $5/7$ and $1/2$ an inch, and
thus, to an expert ~~and~~ ~~decisive~~
decisive. To such experts
I think, evidence of ~~this~~ ~~or~~
kind must, for a time at
least, be left.

1874-5 See
Am. Med. Times &
Ann. on the same

Blood-crystals, of
hemine ^{hematoidine} or hemato-crystalline
are regarded by Virchow as
"one of the surest tests." They
may be found (by aid of ^{the} microscope)
in blood ^{even} stains of long standing.
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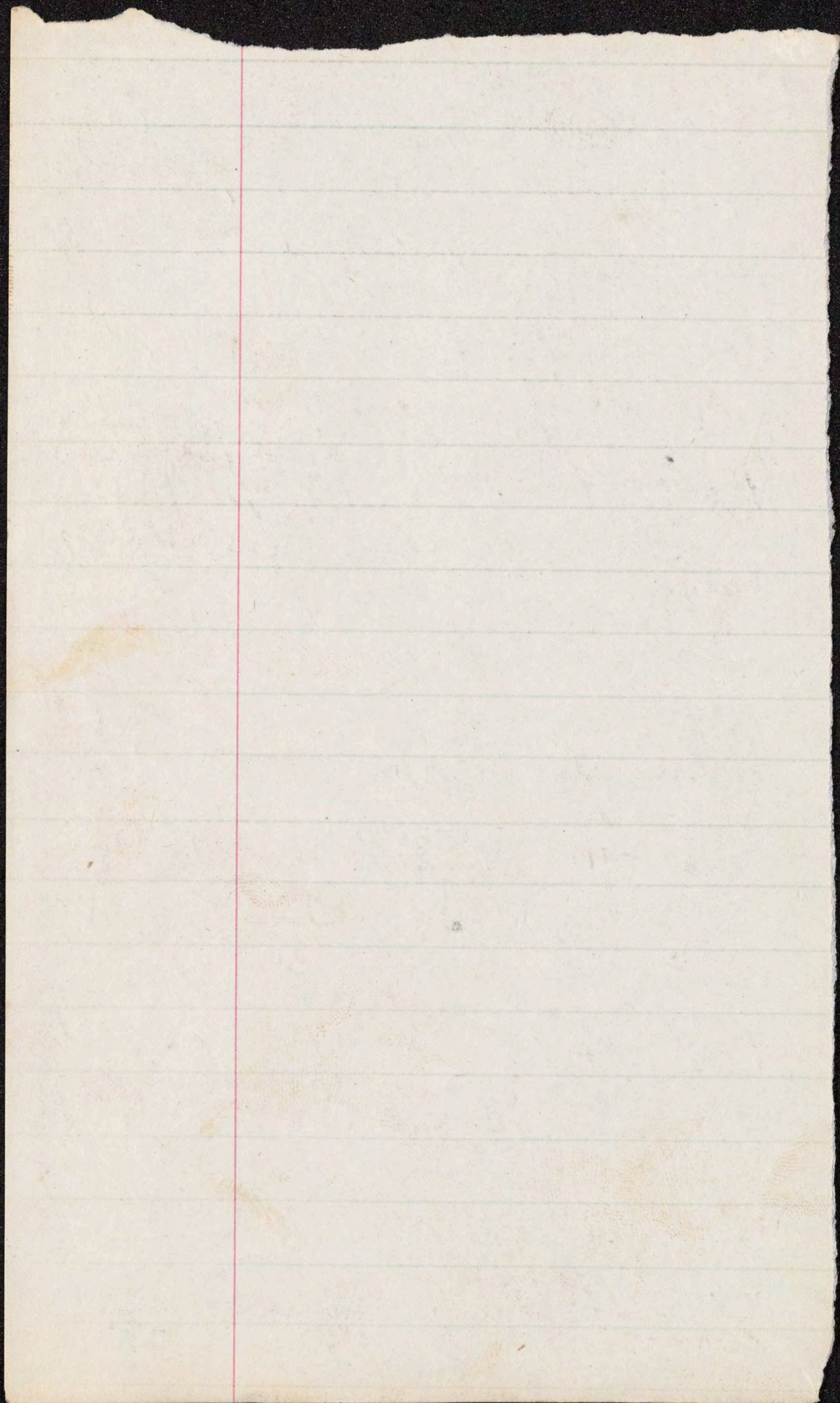
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Leichman's test for blood by
formation of haemin crystals is as follows:

Put some of the dried residue on a watch-glass or microscope-slide. Rub with it a very small amount of ammonium chloride or common salt — add to the mixture a drop of (soln. of) glacial acetic acid — and warm, until bubbles form under the covering glass, — showing that the acetic acid has begun to boil. Then let it cool, — and crystals of haemin will be seen under the microscope.

Sublimates may be obtained by heating blood stains, on porcelain by a spirit-lamp; a slip of flat glass, or a ^{concave} watchglass, being held over the porcelain. While the heat is but moderate, there ought to be a pure white sublimate deposited on the glass. When the heat becomes strong, then, a blood-red sublimate.

By heating the scrapings of a stain ^{found} on steel or iron, in a (reduction) tube, if the stain be blood the presence of animal matter may be made known by ammonia being given off.



The addition of SO₃ (36)

has been proposed (by Barruel)
to distinguish the blood of one
animal from another, & man
from the rest, by the
peculiar odor given off
from each under the action
of that acid. But
experiments have shown
that this is unreliable.

Sorby and Browning
have shown that acid in
detecting blood-stains is
one of the many ~~used~~ applied.

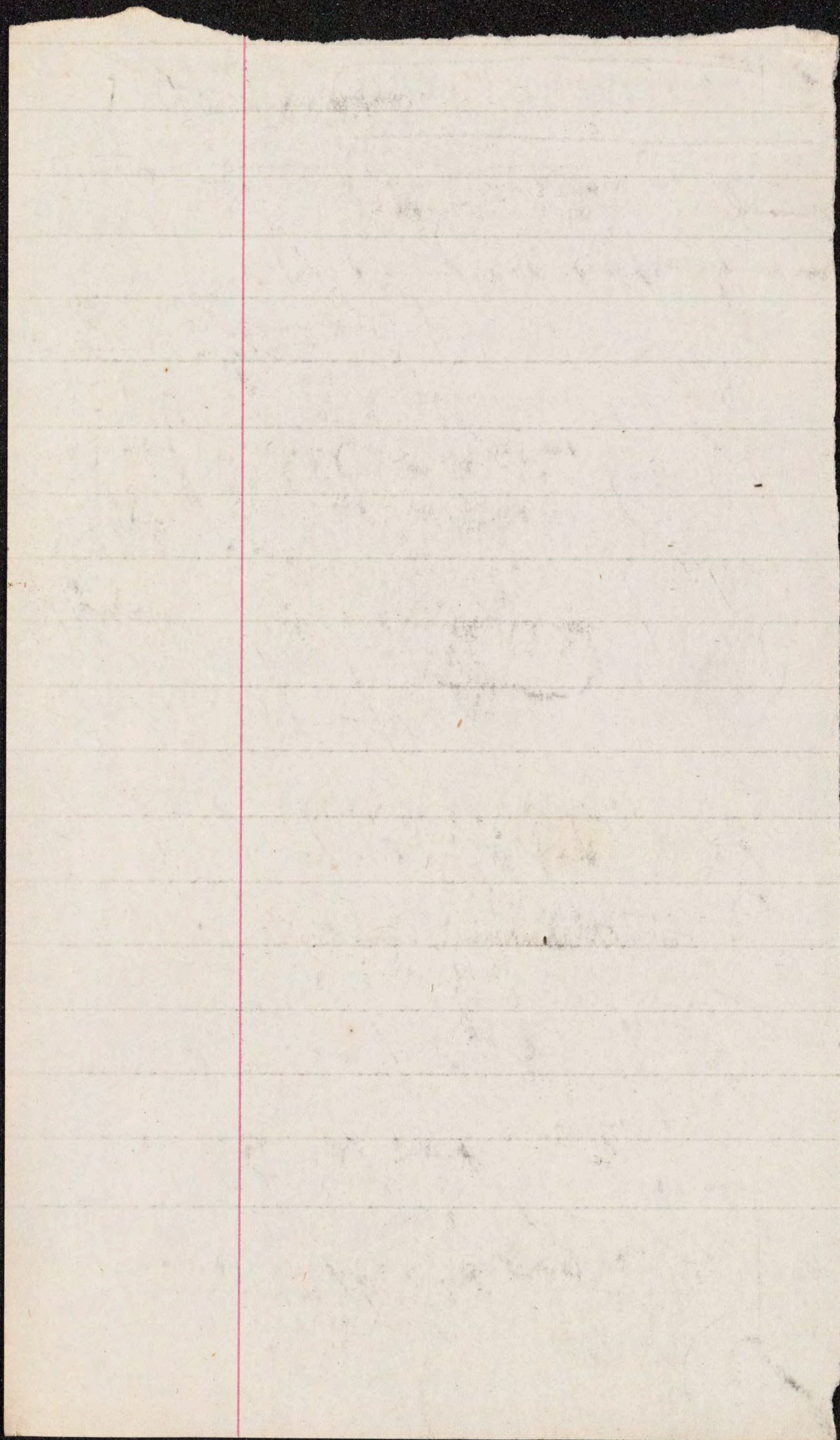
by our history. Asia
Christ was born &
he taught his doctrine
where ~~the~~ performed
miracles which on
Asia is the cradle
it of mankind. I
to Europe ^{is} to educate
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cations of that wonderful (37)
instrument the Spectroscope.

Two black absorption bands
in the upper part of the green section of the spectrum
are shown by blood solutions
of a certain strength. The
Delicacy of Management is
such that here also the
skill of special experts
must be necessary; al-
though it is right and desir-
able for all who may become
professional witnesses to be
acquainted with the principle
involved and applied.

[1870, 20 minutes, about, to spare in an hour.]

Supply, only hanging, drowning, burns & deaths.
Schupp's case 1871. Suits for malpractice?
See Phila. Med. Times, about Reese's case, 1870.



NEW TEST FOR BLOOD-STAINS.—J. W. Gunning (*Journal of Applied Chemistry*) has discovered that acetate of zinc will precipitate the coloring matter of blood from solutions. The flocculent precipitate must be washed by decantation, and left to evaporate and dry on a watch-glass, and, if blood has been present, the microscope will reveal delicate hæmin crystals.

ing which, however, the Commissioners express the opinion that there are still large numbers of insane persons in England kept under private care and deprived of the benefits of periodical inspection. There still exists, it is stated, an insufficiency of accommodation for the insane of all classes, but especially of paupers.

DETECTION OF BLOOD-STAINS. — Dr. Edward S. Wood, in the *Boston Medical and Surgical Journal* for January 2, reports that *Fres. Zeitsch. f. Anal. Chem.* (1872, ii. p. 244) contains a note from Dr. Helwig, contradicting a statement made in the *Chem. Centralb.*, 1871, p. 37, that a solution of blood-pigment in iodide of potassium cannot be used for the production of blood-crystals, but only for spectroscopic examinations. It has long been known that a solution of iodide of potassium will extract from clothing the slightest trace of blood-coloring matter, it being possible to obtain a solution suitable for testing even when the clothing has been washed and the stain is very old. In the present instance Dr. Helwig exhibited a specimen of hæmin-crystals which he had obtained by treating a piece of linen upon which a blood-stain had existed for sixteen years, with a solution of iodide of potassium. The residue left after the evaporation of one drop

acute inflammation or 'tonsillitis,' both of which require other appropriate treatment."

TO KILL LICE (*Edinburgh Medical Journal*, Nov. 1872).—All kinds of lice and their nits may be got rid of, *tuto, cito, et jucunde*, by washing with a simple decoction of stavesacre (*Delphinium staphisagria*), or with a lotion made with the bruised seeds in vinegar, or with the tincture, or by rubbing in a salve made with the seeds and four times their weight of lard very carefully beaten together. The acetic solution and the tincture are the cleanliest and most agreeable preparations, but all are equally efficacious in destroying both the creatures and their eggs, and even in relieving the intolerable itching which their casual presence leaves behind on many sensitive skins. The alkaloid delphinia may be also employed, but possesses no advantage, except in the preparation of an ointment, when for any reason that form of application should be preferred.

upon a glass slide gave beautiful hæmin-crystals upon the application of Teichmann's test, when the remainder of the solution, examined by the spectroscope, gave an absolutely negative result.

Teichmann's test, the ordinary test for hæmin-crystals, is performed by rubbing upon the dried residue in a watch-glass or on a microscope-slide a very small quantity of ammoniac chloride or common salt, adding to the mixture a drop of glacial acetic acid, and warming until bubbles form under the covering glass, showing that the boiling-point of the acetic acid has been reached. Upon cooling, crystals of hæmin can be detected by the microscope.

In the same journal (1872, i. p. 29) we find mentioned by H. Struve an additional test for blood-pigment, which is applicable to the testing of both urine and clothing-stains for blood. This test is based upon the precipitation of hæmatin from an acetic acid solution by tannic acid as tannate of hæmatin, and may be performed in the following way. To the urine or any other liquid suspected to contain hæmatin is added a little ammonia-water or potassic hydrate, then a solution of tannic acid, and finally acetic acid, to distinctly acid reaction. If hæmatin be present, a reddish-brown precipitate, tannate of hæmatin, is formed, which quickly settles and can be very easily washed and collected on a filter. This precipitate, after drying, gives a residue with which we can obtain hæmin-crystals by performing Teichmann's test. This test is far superior to Heller's test for blood in the urine, in which the hæmatin is mechanically carried down with the earthy phosphates, after the addition of ammoniac or potassic hydrate. By the above method the author claims to have detected the presence of blood when all other reactions have failed; for instance, in urine when he could not detect the albumen by any of the ordinary tests. In 20 cc. of urine to which 0.023 per cent. of blood was added, a precipitate was obtained which permitted numerous examinations for hæmin-crystals to be made by Teichmann's test.

that they find the system successful, rapid, and permanent in its effects; which opinion confirms those of earlier date, given by commissions appointed in France, Belgium, Spain, etc.

Eight patients, severely affected with stuttering, were submitted, under the observation of the commissioners, to the system of M. Chervin. They varied in age from ten to twenty-nine years, and none of them could speak without stammering to an extent most distressing to themselves and to those who heard and saw them. In some cases the act of speaking was accompanied with convulsive movements of the mouth and eyes; in others, with spasmodic respiratory movements. Some had stammered from their infancy; in others the defect had been caused by a shock to the nervous system. Ten days after they had been placed under M. Chervin's treatment they were seen by the commissioners, and each of them could then speak distinctly, without stammering or hesitation; and on the 28th they were pronounced cured, speaking then with natural ease and rapidity.

The system is as follows. All mechanical contrivances are discarded; but he teaches the patient, by means of a large number of exercises, gradually to pronounce, with distinctness, vowels, consonants, syllables, and sentences. He pays great attention to the act of respiration, which he seeks to regulate. He teaches his patients to take at certain intervals a slow but normal inspiration, which is succeeded by an even, continuous, and loud expiration, during which pronunciation is effected. The course of treatment occupies twenty days, the time being divided into three periods. During the first the patient is restricted to complete silence, so that the old habit may be broken; during the second period the patient is taught to speak slowly and deliberately; and during the third period he acquires the practice of speaking fluently and without clipping the words. This method is stated to have succeeded in the most difficult cases, and the good results are said to be permanent; but the

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Philada.

Jan. 1. 1873

Having requested Dr _____ to
attend me (or my wife or child) on account
of a (broken thigh, leg, arm, &c), I agree
and promise that I will ~~place~~ confidence
in his (or her) skill and attention, and
will not under any circumstances charge
him (or her) with, or sue him (or her) for,
malpractice in the case.

(Signed)

(Witnessed)

(Test before an Alderman
or Justice of the Peace)

(Charge of malpractice in cases of abortion
one in San Francisco, -
a lady practitioner involved.)

over

San Francisco,

March 30th 1873.

Having been called to-day to attend

_____, in _____ street,

I now testify, and place on record,
that, at the time of my first visit, I
found her affected with (symptoms of
threatened, - or actually occurring) abortion;
the ^{cause or} causes of which took effect
before my attendance upon or knowledge
of the case.

Signed _____

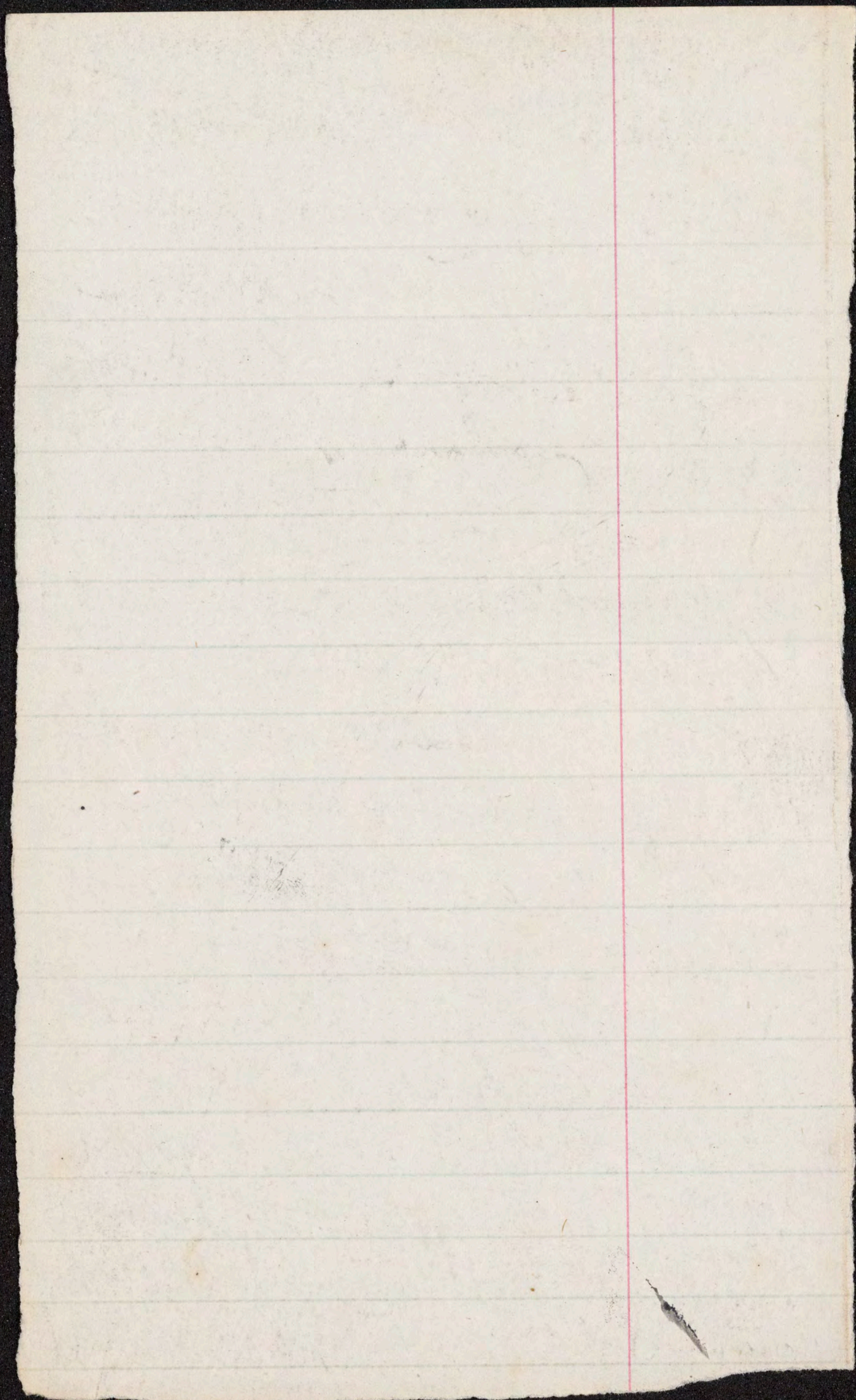
Witnessed _____

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Copy presented to the head of the
household when the patient resides,
at the earliest opportunity.

Life Assurance.

The relations of the physician to Life-insurance are direct and important, although the management of it is, like other insurance, a business, of a mercantile or financial character. It has been by aid of statistics whose facts came ^{immediate} ~~though not exclusively~~ ^{ly} under medical observation, that the tables of probability or average expectation of life have been framed, which guide life-assurance in its arrangements. And medical skill must be used in the case of every life that is insured, — to decide whether it is or is not what is called a good life, — i. e., whether the individual has such health and probability of continued health, of long life, as will



make the risk a legitimate one (2
in the business of the Company.

The private Physician is frequently
called upon to give certificates of
health to his patients, with whose
past history & present constitution
he is familiar. And there are
now numerous offices, all over
the country, where physicians are
employed, for moderate remuneration,
on behalf of the Insurance Companies
to examine and certify concerning
the health of applicants.

For such service, diagnostic
skill is ~~needed~~, such as every physi-
cian ^{should endeavor to} ~~needs~~ acquire and cultivate. But
there are some points to which ~~the~~
attention needs to be more scrutinizingly
directed than is essential in the ordinary

* Man
concluded.

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th are always more
tions of the South.
morning down
d was with them.
the North conquered
it seemed as if
by this. But it was
d from the North
ers, which were
r, made them
Europe Caesar ^{was} at last
h Germans, but they
h the more civilized
me when Greece
the Romans.

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- Asia providential

practice of medicine. The detection (3)
of the signs of latent or even
past disease, is necessary; inquiry
into all that makes disease ~~probable~~
~~probable~~ probable in the future,
because of predisposition, hereditary
or acquired.

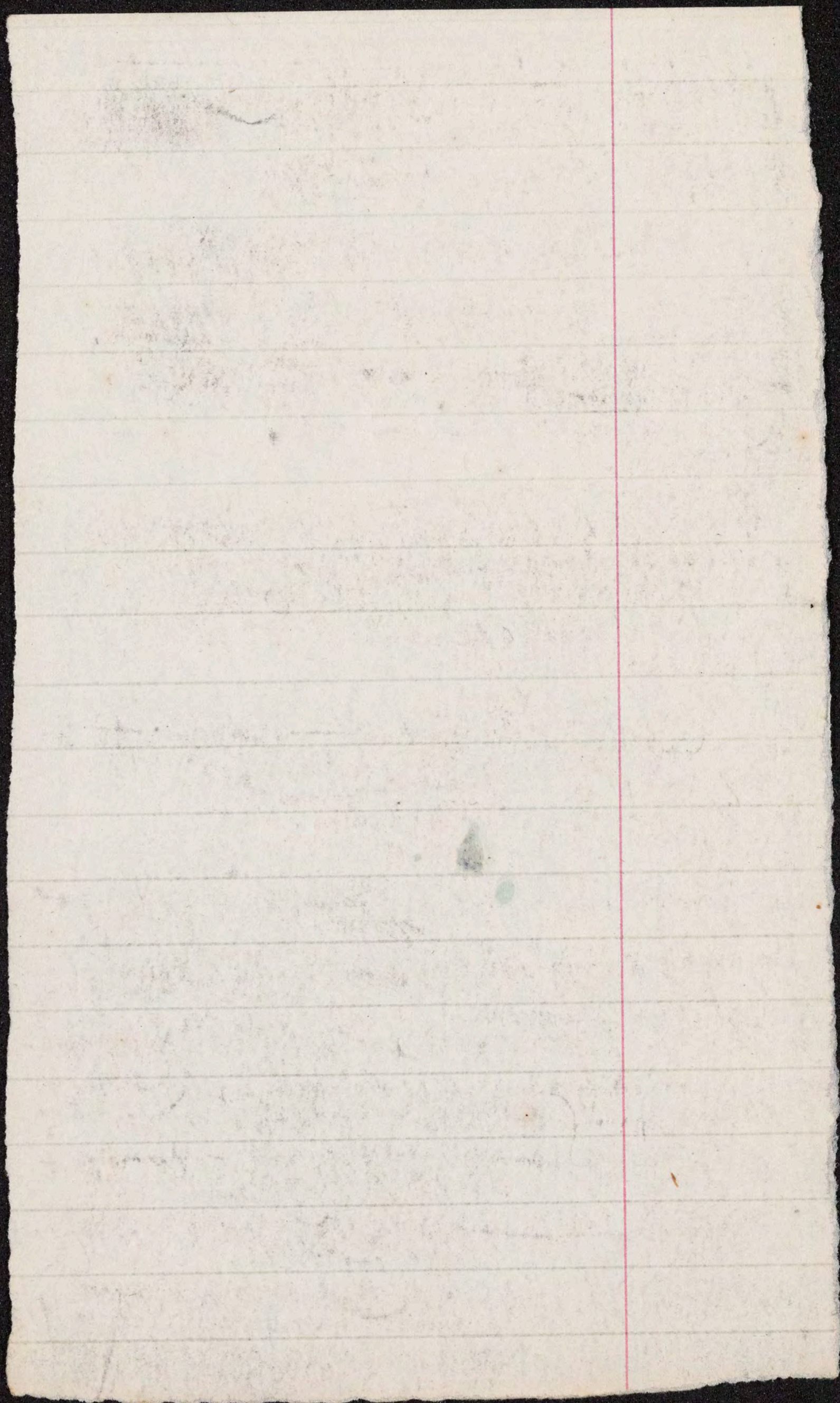
We must ascertain, then, in order to
judge of the degree of risk of a life,
Several things.

1. the age of the applicant.

2. his other past bodily history, -
& mental too, as far as possible.

What diseases has ^{he or} she had, - ordinary
or unusual - or injuries, by accident
of diseases, especially smallpox, or vaccinia, - fits, asthma, spitting of
or otherwise blood, rheumatism, gravel, - hernia.

3. The family history: have father mother,
brother, sister, or other relatives had
consumption, scrofula, insanity, apoplexy,



epilepsy, heart-disease, gout, ~~and~~ ⁴
Bright's disease, or Cancer.

Are the parents of the applicant
living? If not, at what ages
did they die, - and of what
diseases?

4. Occupation: sedentary or
^{the latter is the most favorable.}
active? What fatigues, risks or
exposures?

5. Habits, - temperate, - moderate
drinking, - or abstemious?

6. Pulse; - when quiet for awhile, &
not nervously excited. Felt rather
late in the examination, therefore. Count it,
& estimate its regularity, ~~and~~ force and
fulness. These points should be recorded.

7. Heart impulse, ^{heart} sounds, and extent
of dulness of percussion resonance.
8. Percussion-resonance of all parts of chest.

produces often
that is known com-
to loss of power

uses - phosphor -
the jaw - action

dist - fine particles
loss injurious of

phosphorsette Hydro-
very poisonous,
ed to it by degrees
phosphorsette Hydrogen
poisonous - mixed
not so.

times not much
too pure for

9. Character of vesicular murmur (5)
of lungs on auscultation all over
the chest.

10. Circumference of chest.

11. Respiratory capacity, ^{shown} by the spirometer
(if at hand). "Vital capacity"?

12. Height, by actual measurement, —
& weight.

To indicate what are meant by
bad risks, — which many offices
decline absolutely, ^{though} a few accept them
with specially increased premiums, —
I may name a few, — not needing of course
to say anything about obvious organic
disease in the individual — as consumption,
valvular disease of the heart, ^{etc.} which of course
must make the risk prohibitory.

in the tropics of the Old
and in the temperate
Worlds.

V I

Give an account of
what is its influence

V I I

Give a brief account
the variations in the
Coexist with the
how the law of man
that of other organs

V I I I

Give three examples,
on history, of the age
& Southern Asia

V I I I I

What has been the
of that race of men,
of the United States

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Consumption in either parent; -
or in ^{any} two members of the immediate
family; i.e. ~~grand~~ parents, uncles
& aunts, brothers or sisters.

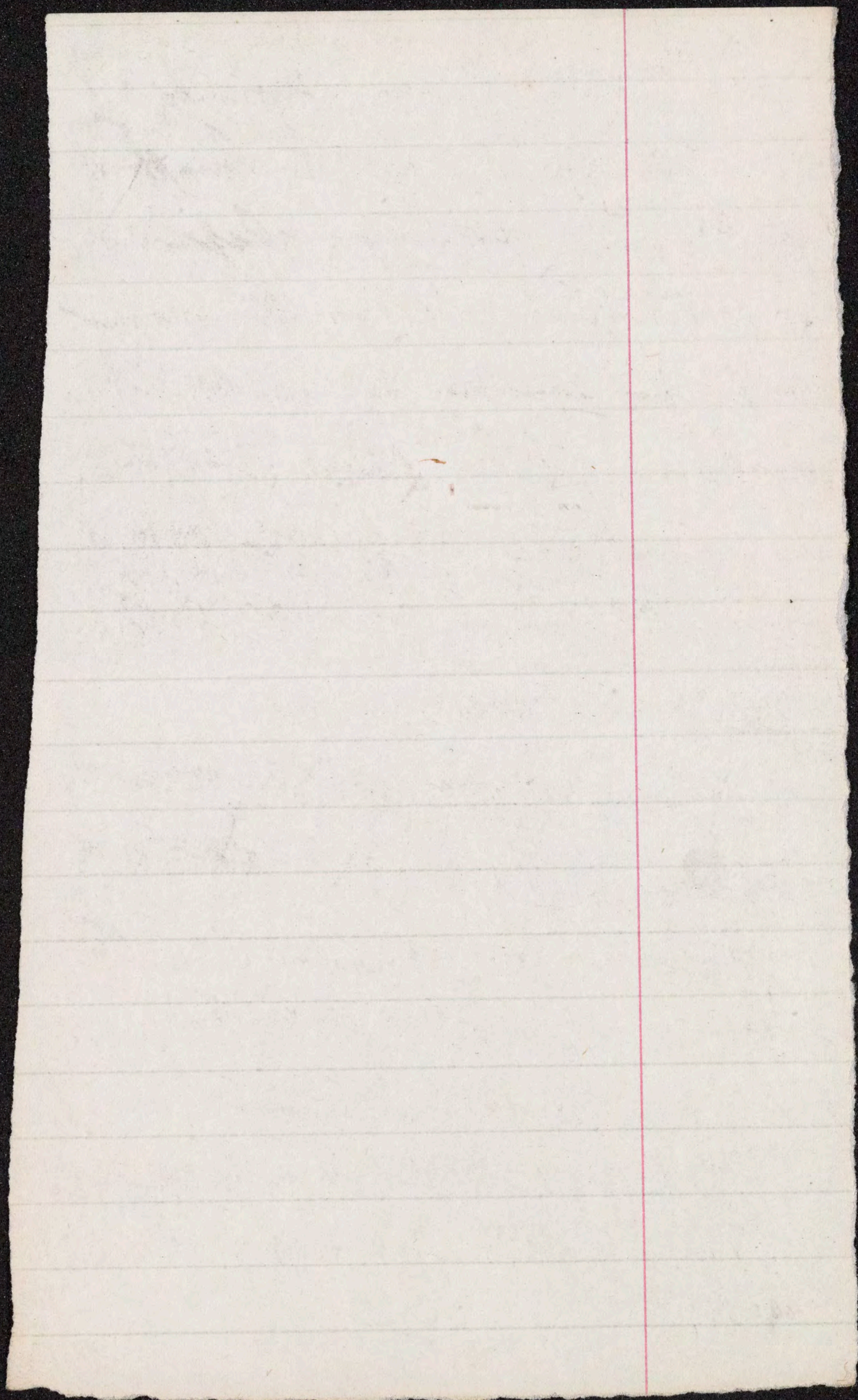
Insanity in ditto.

Epilepsy, ditto.

Especially good appearance & health
history of the individual, with excellent
habits & ^{favourable} opportunities for health, may
mitigate in certain cases the rigor
of ~~these~~ rules of exclusion.

Not only present intemperance should
vitiate the probable value of a life, - but
past habits of drinking, though reformed,
should ^{also} be held to do so.

Tavern-keeping lives are not good risks.
Hemoptysis, at any time of life, renders the
risk very doubtful. The younger the person



when it occurred — especially (7
if a female — and the length of
time since that has elapsed without
a repetition of it — the more
room for entertaining the question of
menstruation, if no physical signs
or symptoms of pulm. dis. be
present, — & no hereditary
tendency ^{is} shown.

absence of information about
deceased parents or other near
relations is unfavorable, & should
induce special scrutiny every-
thing else about the case.

Unusual corpulence is unfavo-
rable, more than spareness or leanness
by itself.

in New York

* One leading company,
rejects none but the worst lives,
grading the premium according
to the risk. This appears to me
very reasonable; though requires
more skill in the examiners, for
the benefit of the company, than
the more usual plan

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The ^{fatty} white ring around the margin of
the cornea, called arcus senilis
is suspicious — showing ~~the~~ enough
fatty degeneration — which may
shorten life by involving the
heart.

~~A single consultation in an
adult, unless hysterical or
neurotic.~~

Judgment, however, must be
brought to bear, over and above all
rules, in estimating the various compli-
cations of evidence in particular cases,
in regard to life-insurance. ✕

(Medical Ethics, last lecture.)

migration has
west. Through
France, England
and other countries

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Asia was the cradle
where he had to
study. Here the germ
commenced.
School where his
trained & where he
himself & made himself

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